



**POLIO VICTIM**—Helen Carlson Hamilton, Torrance resident and mother of two small children, who succumbed to polio at General Hospital late last week.

### Mother of Two Dies of Poliomyelitis

Graveside services for Helen Carlson Hamilton, 23, were conducted Monday afternoon at Roosevelt Memorial Park, Rev. C. Miles Northrup, pastor of First Baptist church and Robert Colburn, assistant pastor, officiated.

Members of the auxiliary, of V.F.W. Post No. 3251 formed a guard of honor at the graveside.

Death occurred Friday at Los Angeles General Hospital, where Mrs. Hamilton had been under treatment for poliomyelitis for the last two months. Born in Torrance and educated in Torrance schools, the deceased leaves two children, Alexander Paul, 2½, and Michael David 1½ years old. Also surviving are her mother, Mrs. Esther Carlson, of 1918 Plaza del Amo and two brothers, Robert W. and Milton H. Carlson, of Torrance.

### Expansion of Plants Works Against Farms

Industrial expansion plus the opening of vast tracts of land for home construction are shrinking dairy and agricultural production in Los Angeles county. This was revealed in a report on file today from the County Livestock Department, headed by L. M. Hurt.

Hurt said that although Los Angeles county is tops as a dairy producer in the nation, an average of about one dairy per week was closed out during the past fiscal year ending in June, 1947, to make way for industrial and home-site expansion.

Hurt stated the sheep industry has been reduced by half as a result of decreasing grazing areas, while poultry and hog ranches have been moving to other districts.

The livestock department chief expressed the hope that sufficient water can be secured for Antelope Valley so the county can maintain its position as a top producer in the dairy and agriculture fields.

### Troop 241 of Boy Scouts to Be Organized

Organization of a new Boy Scout Troop, to be sponsored by the Men's Club of the First Baptist church, now is under way, according to Leland Franz, neighborhood commissioner for the Boy Scouts of America.

Franz and the Rev. C. M. Northrup, pastor of the church, extend a cordial invitation to all boys between 12 and 15 years of age to join the new group, which will be known as Troop 241.

Next meeting of the group will be held at the church Tuesday evening, Nov. 16 at 7:30 o'clock.



**IN NEW POST**—George L. Johnson, former assistant cashier of the Torrance branch of the Bank of America, who has been promoted to manager of the Calexico branch.

### G. L. Johnson Will Manage Calexico Bank

Promoted to manager of the Calexico branch of the Bank of America, George L. Johnson, long identified with Torrance civic affairs while he was with the Torrance branch of the bank, plans to move his home to Calexico, soon.

Johnson, who was treasurer of the local YMCA board of managers, was honored by the board Tuesday night when he was presented with a desk pen set by W. E. Bowen, board chairman. Johnson was chairman of the "X" audit committee and took part in the membership drive.

Other civic activities included committee work for the local Red Cross, the presidency of the Torrance Rotary Club for 1948-49, the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, the 1948 Factory Frolic and several other honorary appointments.

He has been with the Torrance branch of the Bank of America since May 1, 1943, and prior to that was in the Los Angeles main office for 15 years. Mrs. Johnson and their son are remaining at their Torrance home for the present.

### Law Says So School Must Say 'No' to Borrowers

It's nice to be neighborly and lend a cup of sugar. The school would like to be neighborly too, but . . .

The school code, which is state law, made up by the people's representatives in the state legislature is getting to be a big/ thick volume of fine print.

Among other things it does is to limit the use of public school facilities and public school-owned equipment to school and educational uses.

It is illegal and considered to be a gift of public funds for schools to do any of the following things:

—Lend the school power mower.

—Permit the school truck to be used for other than school hauling.

—Let the school bus be used for non-school function.

—Lend the school projectors to individuals or clubs or churches for private showings of movies.

—Loan school typewriters to individuals or organizations.

—Let PTA programs with school equipment.

The Board of Education has a policy which is stated as follows: "Lending or renting of school property to individuals for private use is not permitted." This policy is in strict conformance with state school law.

The foregoing is an explanation of the reasons it has not been possible to comply with numerous requests to borrow school equipment.

Another very sound reason for this policy is that performing these illegal services amounts to competition with local firms by a tax supported institution and would deprive local merchants of the business to which they are entitled when they buy a business license in the city of Torrance.



**HEADS ROTARY**—Dr. John W. Beeman, who stepped up from the vice presidency to head the Torrance Rotary Club, succeeding George L. Johnson, who this week became the Manager of the Calexico Branch of the Bank of America.

### Dr. Beeman New Head of Rotary Club

Dr. John W. Beeman has taken over the presidency of the Torrance Rotary Club with the resignation of George L. Johnson, who this week became manager of the Calexico branch of the Bank of America.

The Torrance Rotary Club will entertain the Alondra Park and Dominguez Area Rotary clubs at an inter-city meeting this evening (Thursday) at the Woman's clubhouse at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Marvel Beem will head the program of the evening as moderator of a forum on "Club Service." Dr. Beem will be assisted by Jimmy Ingham, George Wooster and Clyde Hopping.

### Youth Band's Fall Concert to Be Nov. 18

The fall concert of the Torrance Area Youth Senior Band will be given in the Torrance Civic Auditorium on Thursday night, Nov. 18, the first formal presentation of the band in their new uniforms.

The program will be free to the public but a silver offering will be taken and the funds will be used to purchase a set of kettle drums.

Following the concert the band will prepare for three major out-of-town parades. On Nov. 21 the band will take part in the Hollywood Santa Claus Lane Parade.

Nov. 26 the band will participate in the All-Western Band Review in Long Beach and on Dec. 3 the band will journey to San Pedro and play in the Santa Claus Parade there.

Last week the band received a beautiful blue ribbon and a large gold loving cup for receiving first prize in the parade at Lomita during the Gaucho Days Celebration.

### 20-30 Club to Celebrate

The Torrance 20-30 Club will note its anniversary with a party at the patio at Higgins Brick Yard, 2217 174th street, Saturday night.

There will be dancing, refreshments including cake and coffee and door prizes.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Olson, 1635 Carson St.
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7  
Mrs. Mary Ulmer and guest, 1327 Fern Ave.
- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8  
Mr. and Mrs. Andrew K. Zlaket, 1929 Carson St.
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9  
Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pennington, 1407 Amapola Ave.
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### Hospital Cases

- Residents of Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City and other nearby areas who were listed as patients at the Torrance Memorial Hospital during the past week include:
- Mrs. Louise Anderson, 25839 Oak street.
  - Jack Braydon, 2467 Torrance boulevard.
  - John W. Conrad, 1526 W. 214th street.
  - Albert Lowry, 2468 W. 254th street.
  - Mrs. Ellis McCay, 2301 Pacific Coast highway.
  - Mrs. Ruby McPherson, 2038 231st street.
  - Mrs. Norma Ravenscroft, 2325 Sonoma avenue.
  - Mrs. Doris Whitmer, 25122 Narbonne avenue.
  - Mrs. Kate Waldorf, 4815 Spencer street.
  - James Miyamata, 4191 Del Amo boulevard, residence, \$1350.
  - James Miyamata, 4193 Del Amo boulevard, residence, \$1750.
  - Joseph Lamb, 125 Paseo de las Dolencias, residence, \$10,350.
  - Mrs. Marie Bower, 24264 Los Lodoua, residence, \$4580.
  - Pacific Smelting Co., 2219 South Western avenue, addition to office building, \$4500.
  - John B. Moore, 17313 Atkinson avenue, garage, \$700.
  - Sam Levy, 1675 Gramercy avenue, addition to apartment house, \$3000.
  - Giles Davies, 1721 Juniper avenue, residence and garage, \$7800.
  - O. G. Johnson, 500 Calle Mayor, residence, \$11,900.
  - Harry E. Davis, 207 Via Alameda, addition, \$600.
  - C. Kimmura, 3605 West 205th street, addition, \$1200.
  - Gilbert J. Devolin, 1235 Beech avenue, addition to garage, \$200.
  - Christy Lund, 3645 West 244th street, garage and work shop, \$800.
  - Vaun Whittington, 1230 Hickory avenue, garage, \$600.
  - International Derrick Co., 2410 Carson, addition to rig assembly building, \$8000.

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